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HIGH-CONCENTRATION PREPARATION OF SOLUBLE THROMBOMODULIN

## AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 12, 2008

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action of March 19, 2008, the period for response having been extended for three months to September 19, 2008 by Petition for Extension of Time, Applicant herein provides the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this response.